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STATE FOR AF/E CHRIS WILSON AND AF/C CAROL FULLER

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT MUSEVENI'S COMMENTS ON ARUSHA V

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- 3. I MET WITH PRESIDENT MUSEVENI LATE TUESDAY EVENING (NOVEMBER 23). MUSEVENI HAD JUST COME FROM UP COUNTRY AND THE HASTILY ARRANGED MEETING WAS AT HIS REQUEST. I TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE OCCASION TO RAISE OUR CONCERNS ABOUT THE ARUSHA TALKS ON RWANDA. (OTHER ISSUES DISCUSSED WILL BE REPORTED SEPTEL.)
- 4. I BRIEFED MUSEVENI ON THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE ARUSHA PROCESS, EMPHASIZING THE IMPASSE IN KIGALI AMONG THE COALITION PARTNERS IN THE ALLOCATION OF CABINET PORTFOLIOS AND COMPOSITION/FORMATION OF THE TRANSITIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. I EXPLAINED THAT THE ARUSHA TALKS HAD RECONVENED ON MONDAY (NOVEMBER 23) AND THAT BECAUSE OF POLITICAL DIFFICULTIES IN KIGALI, THE GOR AND MANY OF THE OBSERVERS FELT THE NEGOTIATORS SHOULD MOVE ON TO THE ISSUE OF THE INTEGRATION OF THE TWO ARMIES. IT APPEARED THAT SOME IN THE RPF WERE BALKING, INSISTING INSTEAD ON CONFIDENTIAL

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RESOLVING ALL THE POLITICAL QUESTIONS BEFORE MOVING
TO THE NEXT AGENDA ITEM. THIS, I SAID, WAS
UNACCEPTABLE IF WE WERE GOING TO KEEP THE TALKS
FOCUSED ON THE SUBSTANCE AND IN FORWARD MOTION.

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- 6. I EXPRESSED MY APPRECIATION FOR HIS CONTINUED SUPPORT AND SAID I WOULD REMAIN IN CONTACT WITH HIM ON RWANDAN DEVELOPMENTS.
- 7. COMMENT I: PRESIDENT MUSEVENI WANTS TO SEE THE RWANDAN/RPF ISSUES RESOLVED. HE HAS BEEN HELPFUL IN THE RUN-UP TO THE ARUSHA TALKS AND DURING THE TALKS THEMSELVES, AND WE CAN PROBABLY CONTINUE TO EXPECT HIS SUPPORT. HOWEVER, OUR READING HERE IS THAT THE

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RPF LEADERSHIP, WHILE NOT FULLY OR TOTALLY INFORMED BEFOREHAND ABOUT THE CHANGE IN THE ARUSHA AGENDA, WILL AGREE TO MOVE THE DISCUSSION OF MILITARY INTEGRATION TO THE TOP OF THE SCHEDULE.

8. COMMENT II: FOR THE RECORD, I DELIVERED A/S COHEN'S LETTER TO MUSEVENI ON NOVEMBER 17 (REFTEL).

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MUSEVENI WAS PLEASED WITH THE CONTENTS OF THE LETTER,
EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION AND PLEDGED HIS CONTINUING
SUPPORT TO THE PEACE PROCESS. HIS STATEMENTS LAST
NIGHT REFLECT HIS DESIRE TO PLAY A POSITIVE ROLE. IN
OUR MEETING OF THE 17TH, HE THOUGHT BOTH OF THE
REMAINING POLITICAL ISSUES WERE CAPABLE OF
RESOLUTION, ALTHOUGH HE OFFERED NO NEW IDEAS ON HOW
TO CONCLUDE THAT PHASE OF THE TALKS.

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